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Re-affirm Loyalty--Ask Right to Army Service

Weekly whirligig

By K. W.

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Just Another Crisis . . . . is the ...y we should like to describe the ...unting tension" in the Far East ...at has followed the resignation of ...e Konoye cabinet. There have ...en so many such "crises" in the ...st four years that the past few ...iel weeks seem to have been ab...ormal.

We suppose it is true, however, ...at many a Nisei hope has been ...uttered in the failure of the United States and Japan to effect some ...rm of compromise. One thing ...at many of us will be concerned ...out is the uncertain effect it will ...ve upon the plans for trans-Pacific ship sailings. And all of us ...ll have to watch, perhaps with ...eeper and truer courage than ever ...efore, the new "military" government under Gen. Hideki Tojo as it ...oves—or doesn't move—north or ...outh.

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Of Passing Things . . . . at the ...olk Festival this week we have ...een privileged to view three cultural patterns that are distinctively ...nd uniquely Japanese. There were ...apanese ladies going through the ...easured dignity of a tea ceremon...al, with careful, deft, knowing ...ands they trimmed and shaped the ...atural beauty of flowers into an ...rdered, harmonious pattern. And ...ere were little Japanese girls, tripping through the classic form of the ...apanese folk dance.

To the sight of most of us, these ...ings are now so familiar that we ...e really blind to them. I confess ...yself to a colossal ignorance of it ...il—and to a regret that these tra...ditions will pass from us, just as ...ur parents must pass away. It ...eems that these are beautiful pat...terns, not so made to stand up under ...e impact of a more vigorous, more ...nxious western materialism,—un...less we are truly inspired to preserve ...them.

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Dots 'n Dashes . . . on the con...vention—unanimous opinion, "Wow, ...hat a week-end!!! . . . . intellec...tual stimulation, physical relaxation, ...ocial fellowship and enjoyment, ...opped off with genuine Victorian ...ospitality and weather proved an ...nbeatable combination . . . At ...east three Vancouver-Victoria rom...ances blossomed . . . . W.C.T.U. to ...he contrary, one or two delegates ...roved that the "cup that cheers" ...s all that its name implies . . . .or the first time in convention his...tory a socialistic note figured largely ...n the discussions . . . Vancouver ...elegates to a man took time out ...uesday, a.m., to sleep . . . . **Add Imitations** . . . . the short, jerky ...trides of so many Nisei girls as ...hey walk . . . . people without a ...ense of humour . . . . squaws on ...owell Street.

Roy In A Round-house Swing

"The villain meets his match" would be a worthy title for the above picture taken from an actual scene in the Gakuyukai production, "Marunouchi Nakadori," slated to go on the boards this evening and tomorrow night, starting at 7:30. The hero, young Kanbara, (played by Roy Kumano), and the villain, Ishiwata (Yoshio Matsui) have come to blows in a heated argument at a crucial moment in the play. In rushes the company's typist (Marion Kubota) and Ishiwata's sister (Molly Madokoro) who pause, horrified, to find the two locked in a fight. For more about the play please turn to page 3.

Record JCCL Meet Scores Exclusion From Military Training; Pledges War Support

VICTORIA.—Re-affirmation of the loyalty of Canadian-born Japanese to Canada, a pledge to exert even greater effort in support of the war, and a renewed request that military training camps be opened up to Japanese Canadians were three resolutions unanimously upheld, when a record-breaking number of delegates assembled here October 12, for the sixth annual Nisei conference, sponsored by the Japanese Canadian Citizens' League.

The convention asked that representations again be made to the federal government asking for a removal of "discrimination against Canadians of Japanese decent" in regard to military service.

Delegates went on record as "deploring the fact that Canadians of Japanese ancestry have not been accepted in military training camps in B. C., and "re-affirmed their deepest loyalty and devotion to Canada and the British Commonwealth." They pledged "an even greater effort" on their own part "in the utmost prosecution of the war.

One hundred delegates attended from Victoria, Chemainus, Paldi, Cumberland, Vancouver, New Westminster, Port Alberni, Ganges, Egmont, Steveston and Mission, while visitors from Seattle were also present. Vancouver headed the list with 36 delegates registered, followed by Victoria with 28.

Shige Yoshida, Chemainus; Tatsuro Suzuki, Sunbury; Aiko Kondo, Vancouver; E. Kitagawa, Vancouver; and T. Shoyama, Vancouver. Kunio Shimizu was re-appointed general secretary.

Kay Kato Awarded Oratorical Crown

VICTORIA—A Well-constructed, well-developed speech, plus a polished, effective delivery won for Kiyoshi Kato, Vancouver, the right to inscribe her name on the magnificent Nemichi Challenge Trophy in the fourth annual national oratorical contest at the J.C.C.L. convention here Sunday. (For her speech, "Reconciling Discordant Elements" see page 6).

She was also awarded the Hisaoka Trophy for the best speech from the mainland, while Shigeno Fujikawa of Victoria won the Kagetsu trophy for the best oration from among Island speakers.

Chairman of the judges, Mr. H. L. Smith, delivered the verdict. Mr. Frank Paulding analyzed the speeches, and Miss Margaret Clay made the presentation of cups.

Following extended election sessions, Sam Okamoto of Victoria was elected national president for the next year.

"Ersatz" Foods Available

Issei Confer On Issues Of The Day

Some seventy delegates from many parts of the province gathered at the Fuji Thanksgiving Monday afternoon, for the annual Issei conference sponsored b ythe Canadian Japanese Association to deliverate on problems arising out of the war.

Economic problems occupied the greater part of the discussions, and revolved around the question of sending of money and goods to Japan, steamship service to the Orient, the establishment of a scholarship fund for needy students and the effects of the cessation of trade between Japan and Canada upon the local Japanese diet.

Concerning the changes in the Japanese diet, the Canadian Japanese Merchants Association produced a list of foodstuffs obtainable locally which could be substituted for the goods hitherto imported from Japan.

An announcement from the committee established last year to investigate the possibilities of establishing some credit system in the community whereby a greater volume of business could be stimulated revealed that a detailed report was pending further study.

Among the social problems gaining a hearing was the question of closer co-operation between the C.J.A. and other Issei organizations. The conference also endorsed the findings of the Kitsilano Joint "life improvements" discussion group regarding wedding costs.

Blood Donors Wanted

Seek Help In Life-saving Service

VANCOUVER, Oct. 17—The National Red Cross Campaign to secure 2000 blood donors a week is being brought home to the Japanese community this week by the Vancouver JCCL, acting in co-operation with the Junior Board of Trade, Dr. George Ishiwara, president, announced today.

Under present arrangements, donors may secure full information as well as file their volunteer cards at the office of Hajime Suzuki, Chapter secretary, at 377 Powell Street.

Two thousand male citizens of Vancouver have already registered in the campaign, but 4000 more must be found to donate one pint of blood every three months, if the scheme is to succeed. The blood is to be used for the necessary transfusions for shell-shocked and wounded soldiers and bombed civilians overseas.

All donors are medically examined (free of charge) before they are accepted as donors, and they need not be in exceptionally good health, nor of extraordinary physique.

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Varied Japanese Features At Ninth Annual Folk Festival

The Ninth Annual Vancouver Folk Festival Week will become history Saturday night, but not before a record number of spectators will have had the opportunity of witnessing the contribution of the city's racial groups to Canada's multi-coloured culture.

The Japanese Canadian contribution this year took novel form in the presentation of the classical Japanese floral arrangement and tea ceremony against the background of a Japanese living room or "Zashiki". Japanese dances already familiar to many Festival-goers were also included on the program.

Centre of Attraction

The "zashiki" in the middle of other arts and crafts exhibits in the beautiful Georgian Room of the Hudson's Bay, has been the centre of attraction during the afternoons right through the week with several Japanese ladies taking part in demonstrating the delicate art of floral arrangement and "cha-no-yu" or tea ceremony. Floral arrangements are under the direction of Mrs. M. Y. Yotsukudo of the "Gessen - ryu" School, while acting as commentators during the week are two Nisei girls, Mrs. H. Kuwahara and Miss Fumi Ohori.

Close to 600 spectators, mostly young people, crowded into the Georgian Room Wednesday evening to see and hear youths representing some dozen racial groups join hands in a special "Youth Night." Russian, Chinese, Ukrainian, Crosian, Negro, Syrian, Canadian, Greek and Japanese numbers were presented. Grace Terakita, pleasing Nisei singer, sprung a surprise on her listeners when she gave the Japanese version of the popular ballad, "South of the Border." Vernon Hakkuku accompanied.

Ryubikai Assists

On Thursday evening, which was devoted to a program of national dances, pupils of Mrs. T. Tonogai's "Ryubikai" school presented Japanese numbers. Harumi Tomotsugu appeared in a solo performance of "Shio-

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A Chance To Serve

DOUBTS concerning the reception that would be tendered a contribution from our community to the National Red Cross Blood Donor campaign have been set aside, and a direct appeal is now being made to first and second generation males between 21 and 60 to register immediately as voluntary donors.

Perhaps the average one of us will feel faintly uncomfortable when faced with this unfamiliar experience. But surely we cannot turn aside from this valuable, life-giving service, knowing that we can do so much at so little cost to ourselves.

Doctors assure us that the process of drawing the blood is wholly painless, that it has no ill effects, since the normal body replaces the loss within a few hours, and that our blood serum is needed for shipment overseas as much as anybody's. Thus at slight inconvenience to ourselves, we can indeed do our part to back up the soldiers who serve with their lives overseas in our defence.

Will you, Mr. Joe Nisei, lend a hand, now?

Will We Be Ready?

CONSIDERABLE publicity is being given by one of Vancouver's daily papers, the Vancouver Sun, to the acuate shortage of manpower in Canada today, and therefore to the question of exemption from military duties accorded to alien-born youths. The Sun feels, perhaps not without reason, that unless foreign-born youths are made to assume a share of the burden of actual war service, there will be feelings of resentment that "make for division", for "race feeling and ultimately race hatred."

In actual fact, of course, as the Toronto Saturday Night has ably pointed out before this, the number of aliens who are "digging in"—securing good jobs, making money, learning trades—is negligible in comparison with the total number of men needed for the armed forces. Hence, it is no valid argument on the part of Canadian youth to refuse to enlist to declare that "foreigners" will take their jobs if they enlist. But as far as the principle is concerned, we fully agree with the Sun, when it says that "In one way or the other all must be treated alike", and that "we should be seeking to absorb the foreign-born into our Canadian civilization."

Pushing the argument logically, it must apply to the second generation Oriental. Legally, it is true, we are not alien youth; indeed, technically we are Canadian by birth, entitled to the rights of that status, bound by its duties. Up till now our country does not seem to have realized that fact.

It may well be, however, that the desperate need for men—for fighting men and laboring men—will call forth a change in that attitude. Under the pressure of demand for handh and brains and power, the barriers that have prevented the second generation from training either for industry or military service may yield. The question we might well be asking ourselves right now is simply, "Will be ready at the opportune moment?"

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BAY

The sun's slim graceful fingers work all day
In polishing the silver of the bay:
Seeking out every corner, every fold,
Until her brilliant workmanship is told
In the way the silver bay is turned to gold—
In the way the silver bay is turned to gold.

—E. B. D. V.

Our Natural Increase

ALWAYS interesting year after year are the figures on births and deaths announced by the Metropolitan Health Board for the Vancouver area. The Health Officer, Dr. Stewart Murray, reports this year that the natural increase for the Japanese Canadian community is 12.53 per 1000, derived from a birth rate of 20.45 and a death rate of 7.92.

Those who are still afflicted with that familiar political mental disease, the "anti-Japanese mania", may find inspiration is such figures for painful agitation or political fulmination. Particularly since figures for all other groups (exclusive of Chinese) shows a comparative natural increase of only 6.15—or only one-half that of the Japanese Canadian rate.

Actually, of course, to the unprejudiced observer, the 1941 statistics continue to furnish evidence that the old flaming cry of "yellow peril" was in reality nothing more than a politicians' bleat. The figures in fact bolster the original argument of the Nisei spokesmen who a decade ago declared that the rapid natural increase (which then seemed to be proof of the cry) was due to natural biological factors that needed only the passing of time to work themselves out.

A comparison of the figures with those of last year indicates that the trend which set in several years ago is continuing, and the rate of natural increase is declining faster than ever before. Thus the natural increase for the Japanese population reflected a decline this year of 2.32 per 1000. In contrast, the rate of increase for the "white" groups rose a few decimal points.

Not only is the quantitative decline significant. The nature of it is equally revealing, being the result of a lower birth rate and a higher death rate. In one year the Japanese birth rate decreased 1.26 per 1000, and this year exceeds that of the "white" group by only 2.72—a far cry from the days when we "bred like rabbits." The death rate, moreover, has increased 1.11 per 1000—and that increase is less likely due to infant mortality, accidents, or tuberculosis than it is to the inevitabiry of old age.

All in all Dr. Murray's figures indicate further that the Japanese population is achieving the rates of birth and death that are comparable with a settled, stable, but vigorous community. When our sober-minded Canadian neighbours realize this sociological truth, one more irrational fear over the "Japanese problem" will have been banishd forever.

A Tribute

By MURIEL KITAGAWA

AVE ATQUE VALE!

To Margaret Hayashi, who was a cheerful, indefatigable worker and first secretary for the Japanese Unit of the Canadian Red Cross.

I first met her when our Unit was still a dream and not a fact. She it was who did the spadework for the formation of the Group, later to be known as the Japanese Red Cross Unit. She it was who went to Headquarters to gather the necessary information, to ask for a special organizer to help us. I shall never forget the enthusiasm she always had for the work of the Red Cross—her deep and earnest desire to help the poorer and underprivilged members of our own community.

Now she has passed from our ken and we shall miss another familiar face. Her life has been cut as a budding flower is plucked for its sweetness. Let us remember Margaret as that bud, beautiful in its promise, a bud that shall never wither and grow old.

Hawaii Trains An "American" Army

("Out in Honolulu draftees of Nipponese descent make ... soldiers for their Uncle Sam," declares the Christian Science Monitor at the head to an illustrated article from which the following excerpts are taken. In view of the difference in policy adopted by United States and Canadian authorities facing an almost identical problem, the American experience ... suggestive evidence of Canadian short-sightedness.—Ed.)

HONOLULU. — Sergeant Collins called the roll.

Abe, Adachi, Azama, Chang, Choy.

Despite his Irish inflection Sergeant Collins was doing all right. Until he came to the K's.

Kakawa, Kakihara, Ka—

Sgt. Collins paused, took a deep breath and bucked the line. Kahoohanohano, Kajimura, Kajiwara, Kaneshiro, Kato, Kao.

Beads of perspiration glistened on the sergeant's brow, but years of soldiering in the United States Army had made him a durable man. He didn't falter.

He took them as they came. The last one was Yukimo. All present and accounted for.

With an experienced eye, Sgt. Collins appraised the column of faces. Every other name was Japanese.

"What kind of American soldiers can I make of these Oriental rookies?" he wondered.

Today, months later, Sgt. Collins has the answer to this question. Hundreds of young Americans of Japanese ancestry have been drafted, trained and absorbed into the United States Army in Hawaii. Their performance as peacetime soldiers is now on the record.

Mutual Benefits

The Conscription Act, as it has operated in Hawaii, has not only allowed the Army to make American soldiers out of several hundred young Japanese, but it has also given the Army an opportunity to become more intimately acquainted generally with the Japanese residents in Hawaii.

The acquaintance has been mutually beneficial. The Army, and through the Army, other Federal authorities, understand the Japanese now better than ever before. And much of the fear, apprehension and misunderstanding with which Hawaii's Japanese looked on the Army from a distance has been removed.

Passage of the Conscription Act, coinciding as it did with unprecedented tension between Japan and the United States, confronted the Army in Hawaii with a delicate and difficult problem.

Out of 700 men called in the first draft in Hawaii, 408 were of Japanese descent. Sixty-eight were Anglo-Saxon, 51 Portuguese, 35 Chinese, 35 Hawaiian, 10 part-Hawaiian, 20 Filipino, 1[?] Puerto Rican, and 6 Korean.

This preponderance of Japanese draftees has been maintained right along. In mid-summer there were 285 selectees in training at the Army's reception centre at Schofield Barracks, and 175, or 60 per cent of these were Japanese. If this ratio were maintained throughout the five-year training period and if Hawaii were allowed to keep its quota of 8,307 draftees, there would be eventually at least 9,000 young men of Japanese descent trained as soldiers in Hawaii. In comparison with the 35,000 or 45,000 American troops stationed in Hawaii—the Army doesn't authorize publication of exact figures—the number of Japanese trainees is relatively insignificant.

Although the number of Japanese trainees in Hawaii is not large, it assumes added significance when viewed in relation to the fact that the entire Hawaiian defense organization is aimed primarily at Japan.

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Army Judgment

So that an authoritative opinion on this subject would be available for inclusion in this article, Army authorities in Hawaii were asked this question: "Has the draftee of Japanese ancestry made as good a showing as other selectees?"

This is the Army's answer:

"The trainee of Japanese ancestry is on the whole as good or better than any other racial group and is above the average of all groups. He is characteristically a hard worker who shows great interest in all phases of training. He applies all his ability to learning each element of the training.

"In all work which calls for a definite response to any given situation or to mechanical skill, he is the equal of any other racial group.

"For work which calls for a quick response to any unusual situation he is not so outstanding.

"The trainee of Japanese ancestry who has difficulty and does not advance as far as the others is the one who cannot speak English. However, through the medium of interpreters, he does the best he can—He also attends English speaking classes held in camp each evening. This is on his own time.

"The percentage of Japanese trainees who have permitted themselves to get into disciplinary troubles is very much less than the percentage for the entire camp.

"No distinction is made in camp between any of the racial groups. All are assigned indiscriminately to squads as they enter camp. Temporary promotion to be acting non-commissioned officers or selection of trainees for special duty is determined by achievements and abilities of the individual and not at all on his racial ancestry."

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Accompanying the increasing tension in the Pacific there has been considerable speculation as to whether the Army would segregate the Japanese in Hawaii in the event of actual hostilities. There have been rumors that one of the smaller islands, Molokai, for example, would be equipped to serve as a concentration camp and that all Japanese of questionable loyalty would be sent to that island.

Army Gives Assurance

To quiet these disturbing reports the Army has come out flatly with a statement of assurance that the Japanese are not to be singled out for any special attention or scrutiny. The Japanese have been assured by the Army that they will be treated the same as any other racial group in the islands.

It has been largely in this attitude that the Army has opened its ranks to the Japanese sons of Hawaii and has guided many of them to a richer appreciation of their status as American citizens.

TOWN

Fairview Girls' Club

In recent elections held ... the Japanese School, the ... Shuyo-kai chose Ma... to succeed Mitsuye F... president. Assisting off... elected were Mieko Sugie, ... president; Kiyo Nishihara, ... tary; Fumie Okura, treas...; Mitsuye Fujita, auditor; ... Uno, social convenor; ... Toko Kosaka, councillor...

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ub will resume its n flower arrangement nese calligraphy dur- vinter, it was decided.

● Engagement Announced

Steveston and Tofino share in the interest over the announcement of the engagement of Miss Toshiko Kariya to Mr. Takeo Sakauye of Tofino, Sunday, October 12. Mr. and Mrs. Y. Nakade and Mr. and Mrs. Y. Omori are the baishakunins.

● Engagements . . . .

Of wide interest to Pitt Meadows and Woodfibre circles is the announcement of the engagement of Mary, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Y. Kaida, to Mr. Kiyomi Kawakami of Woodfibre, at the Fuji last Tuesday, October 14.

The baishakunins, for the happy event are Dr. and Mrs. M. S. Ehimukura and Mr. and Mrs. T. Mori.

● Alumni Association

Members of the Japanese Alumni Association are reminded of the annual election meeting to be held at the home of Dr. M. Miyazaki, Saturday evening, Oct. 18.

● Marpole Skatefest . . .

October 27 is skating night for members of the Marpole Basketball Club. The place is ever-popular Happyland. The time is 7.30 p.m. to 10.30 p.m. It's a date for smooth coasting, laughter and spills!

On October 25, at 5 p.m., Yoshiko, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. K. Oike of Haney, will exchange marriage vows with Mr. Tooru Kubo, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Kubo of Wilson Creek.

Immediately after the ceremony the bridal party will attend a reception to be held at the Fuji.

Mr. and Mrs. K. Watanabe and Mr. and Mrs. I. Sugiman are the nakodos.

The Fairview United Church on Saturday, October 18, at 5 p.m., will be the setting for the wedding of Mariko, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Y. Kosaka, Vancouver, and Mr. K. Kitamura of Port Alberni.

Rev. K. Shimizu will officiate. A reception at the Fuji will follow the ceremony.

The newly-weds will make their home in Port Alberni.

The baishakunins for the event are Mr. and Mrs. H. Nagatakiya, and Mrs. Banno.

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★ CALENDAR

OCTOBER

13-18—9th Annual Vancouver Folk Festival Week, Hudson Bay.
17-18—Gakuyukai Annual Play, Japanese Hall.
18—Alumni Ass'n. Elections, Dr. Miyazaki's home.
25—"Bussei Nite," Hastings Auditorium.
26—Annual Fall Convention of Buddhist Young People, Maple Ridge Temple.
27—Marpole Basketball Club Roller Skating Party, Happyland, 35 Cents.

Powell Jr. Church 5th Anniversary

The Japanese United Junior Church is celebrating the fifth anniversary of its founding, next Sunday, October 19, at 7:30 in the evening, at the Powell United Church.

The Junior Church was first organized in September, 1936, on the occasion of the fortieth anniversary of the Japanese United Church in Vancouver, and now has a membership of 160 members, 130 of whom are resident in Vancouver.

Rev. Hugh Dobson, D.D., secretary of Evangelism and Social Service of the United Church for Western Provinces, and the president of the B. C. Conference for this year, will be the guest preacher at the special Anniversary service. His subject will be "Youth Becomes World-Conscious."

Miss Mariko Uyeda will be the soloist of the night, and the choir will render an anthem, "God So Loved the World." Rev. K. Shimizu, the minister, will conduct the meeting.

● Fall Rally

All members of the Powell Y.P. are reminded of the forthcoming G.V.Y.P.U. Fall Rally, which will be held at Chown Memorial Church, Cambie and 19th, October 20.

Rev. Elbert Paul of First Baptist Church will be the chief speaker, and Takashi Komiyama will lead the devotional service.

Delegates from the Society to the B. C. Conference of the United Church Young People's Union, October 18-19, will be Kasey Oyama, Eiji Yatabe, and Norah Fujita.

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GYK Thespians Set For Smashing Premiere Tonight

Tonight's the night! At 7:30 this evening in the Japanese Hall the curtain will rise on the long-awaited Gakuyukai production, "Marunouchi Nakadori," the most ambitious dramatic attempt the School Society has ever attempted. The play will be presented again tomorrow evening, Oct. 18, at the same time.

Tuesday's final full dress rehearsal was a model of smooth, flawless rehearsing, as the actors and actresses went through their lines, their gestures, their fisticuffs and sobbing with professional zip, promising a most effective presentation tonight.

Modern in its treatment of its social themes, the play develops along psychological lines, with the emphasis on dialogue. Written by Hideshi Hojo, one of the most modern of modern Japanese playrights, the play may be a little difficult for inexperienced playgoers to understand without a knowledge of the plot.

For their benefit the story in brief deals with the impending merger of a small company which has struck a rich find in one of its mines and a rich and powerful syndicate of Tokyo's Wall Street, which has gained knowledge of the small firm's lucky "strike".

The smaller firm is in desperate financial straits; and two employees are secretly planning to sell out to the syndicate, seeking to sway the president over to their views. The loyal and courageous Kanbara, who foresees a glorious future for the company, rallies the loyal employees to oppose the merger.

PRINCIPALS IN THE PLAY

Roy Kumano: The Hero, Kanbara.

Yoshio Matsui: The villainous Ishiwata.

Molly Madokoro: Angelic younger sister of the villain, and childhood companion and sweetheart of the hero.

Kaz Suga: Another wolf in sheep's clothing . . . Double-faced superintendent who is secretly in the pay of the syndicate.

Fred Okimura: Well-intentioned company president.

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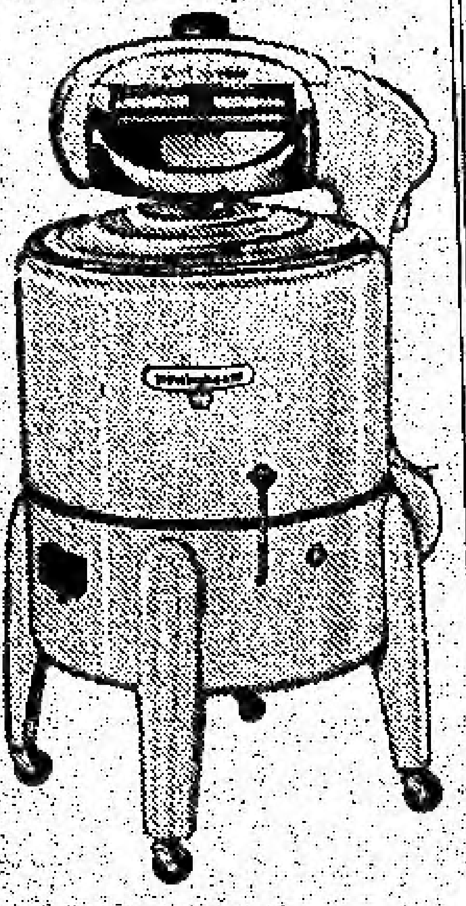

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Luke Tanabe Chosen Seikokai Y.P. Head

Luke Tanabe, well-known U. B. C. Commerce graduate, was elected president of the Seikokai Anglican Young People's Association for the coming year at a meeting Thursday last at the Holy Cross Mission.

Assisting him on the executive are Kenzie Nozaki, vice-president; Tommy Morita, treasurer; Amy Oki, recording secretary; Chizuko Hagino, corresponding secretary; Saki Yakura, assistant; and Kay Yasui and Aya Suzuki, social convenors.

The Seikokai group will hold a Hallowe'en social, October 30, Thursday, at 3rd Avenue Church, when members of the Powell Y.P.S. will attend as guests.

Attending at the Provincial A.Y.P.A. conference held in Vancouver over Thanksgiving week-end was Miss Aya Suzuki.

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By T. M. K.

RETRIBUTION is a terribly tragic thing. Put in plain words, it means that one pays for some past wrong. You often hear the words: *You only got what you deserved.* Retribution may be slow in coming, but it comes just the same. It comes with the inevitability of fate. You pay and pay and pay with suffering and useless tears, grinding shame and futile anger. You pay with a loss of self-respect; you pay with remorse, and the sore realization that you've only yourself to blame.

By the time the victim of retribution begins to pay it is too late to right the wrong, too late to stop the wheels of punishment. Sometimes that punishment is swift and immediate; more often it takes months, years, to overtake the sinner with the gradual oncoming of an avenging glacier.

It is this latter type that is the sorriest, that places the victim in a pathetic position . . . no matter how just the punishment. It comes not from one flaming misdeed, but from the accumulation of wrongs, of small selfishness, of petty vindictiveness, of grouch and surliness, of ingratitude and stupidity. These small things pile up a formidable denunciation against the doer, a veritable avalanche of punishment.

No matter how much one feels that a person only got what he deserved, one feels a sneaking pity for the bewildered fool who doesn't know what he is paying for, who is still blind to the causes of his predicament. Can one say: I told you so! Four of the most hated words in the world? Ah no. One hasn't the heart to say them.

The intentional misdoer is of different color from the ignorant, unpremeditative one. Ignorance, willful or otherwise, a passionate absorption in self, inconsideration for the rights of the others, hasty tongue and thoughtless, biting words, invectives . . . all pile up their harsh grains of sand to form some day a mountain of reproach. When that day of retribution comes . . .

What can he do but take it with as good a grace as he can muster, with wide-awake humility and not a speck of self-pity? Only then is the burden somewhat lightened; only then is the punishment transmuted into sublimity. But if he were to rail against the injustice of fate, the vengeance wreaked by his own doings, then he doubles the weight of payment and suffers that much more.

Retribution is just, is terrible, is inevitable.

WINDY DAY

Here is a world of scarlet and bronze,
here the bright hills are flying,
and the wild geese veer down the windy sky,
trailing their legs and crying.

Here is a world of yellow and flame
a world of leaves is blowing
with the twisty road across the hills
wherever it is going.

Here are wild tons of colored leaves,
crimson and fire and ochre;
here's a world of wind for any child's heart
and beauty by the acre!

—*Frances Frost.*

Now We Are Seven ...

By DANA

BIG Sister was up bright and early . . . too bright and early, groans Mom, squinting at the clock which points to 6 a.m. Big Sister has been anticipating this particular day for a whole year, as the last Special Day had been spent in bed with a rash—chicken-pox, to be scientific.

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Mom woke with the feeling there were unnecessary footsteps padding about the house, and there being no trusty watch-dog to give tongue to intruders, she opened one eye cautiously, wondering if her courage was up to getting out of the safe bed. Sh-h-h! There it was! Someone was softly tip-toeing down the hall. The kitchen door creaked open . . . a faint scrape of feet . . .

Suddenly Mom giggled.

What a relief! It was only Big Sister creeping out of bed to take a preview of her Birthday Presents. Anyway, Mom kept quiet and pretended to be sound asleep. Eventually Big Sister crept back to bed, but Mom could hear the new springs creak as the little woman turned over and over in bed. Patient—and restraining her natural impulse to screech for joy, to leap out of the covers, and wake the whole house. Mom felt quite a glow around the heart to think that Seven knew her responsibilities and consideration for sleeping parents and the Littler One.

"Mebbe I oughta warm up the house for the tyke . . ." sleepily thought Mom, snuggling deeper into the blankets.

Easier thought than done, these chilly autumn mornings.

Perhaps about fifteen minutes fled by while Mom went right on dozing, comforted by good intentions. A slight, but distinctly audible sigh went up from the other room, where Big Sister nested. It goaded poor Mom, shivering, out of bed to turn on the furnace heat and going into the other room to peek at a wideawake girlie who was Seven. Seven gurgled wordlessly, waiting to see which side of the bed Mom got out of that morning. Then, seeing the safe "GO" sign, she sat right up, asking timidly:

"Am I too early, Mom, am-I?"

"Um-m-m."

Mom only grunts in the mornings.

"Say 'yes' or 'no' or what, Mom. Did I get up too early?"

"Kind of . . . ." acknowledged Mom with an impolite yawn. "Ne'er min' one day. Wait till room's warmer . . . ." . . . yawn . . .

"Then can I open my presents, Mom?"

Mom woke a bit further, and gazed fondly at the big-eyed Big Sister. 'Twan't no time at all since *Seven* was *One*. *One* hadn't paid much attention to a Special Day, but *Seven* was all pins and needles to tell the world she was seven.

"Mom . . . , I" whispered Seven again.

"Okay, okay . . . , don't make too much noise, tho' . . ."

Catch Mom being sentimental!

Big Sister ducked back into bed ecstatically. Mom limped back to slumber. Not for long though . . . ah . . . um-m . . . yawn! Too soon, there was the hissing crackle of tissue paper from the other room, and soft mumblings. Mom distinctly heard one phrase that brought a tight little ache to the throat:

". . . so good to me . . ."

* * *

Dad isn't particularly affluent, but Mom promised Big Sister a bang-up party after school, and could Big Sister or Littler One wait! No siree! All morning Littler One peeked from the front windows.

"When's Big Sister comin' home, Mom?"

"Soon, Baby, soon."

"'member Big Sister said not to forget to clear up the mess in the dining-room and have everything pretty."

Mom was slightly exasperated. Heaven knew she was no model housekeeper, but to have the infant calmly taking it for granted that Mom had to be told to clean the house . . . Well!

Lunch was a scrambled affair, with Big Sister hardly able to sit still enough to digest anything. Even now and then she would squirm out of her place to gaze at the gorgeous heart-shaped cake, all trimmed in pink and white and silver. She would go over the guest-list.

"Mom . . . Lainey's coming home with me today. I'm going to wait for her. Mom . . . how can Chiyeko come when she has to go to Japanese school? Gosh, I'm glad I don't go."

"Now lookee here," remonstrated Mom, "you got to eat, y'know. Come on with that soup."

"Alright, Mom, only I'm not kind of hungry today."

"Mommee . . . I eat my lunch all up, don't I mommee . . ." purred Littler One complacently.

"Uh-uh! Good girl."

"Huh! This isn't *YOUR* Birthday, anyway . . ." retored Big Sister.

"Mommee . . ." wailed the Littler One, "I had a Birthday, didn't I?"

"Uh-uh. Now be good and eat your food."

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And so the house is cleaned, and the cake set up in the centre of the table, with seven pink candles. Sandwiches and cookies and candy are piled in platters and bowls. Iridescent jelly, lime and orange and strawberry, with a froth of cream perched on top decorate the places. In pours the neighbourhood, all Sixes and Sevens and Eights with high voices, shrill with excitement. Big Sister marches to her seat-of-honor to blow on the candle flames.

There is a buzz of excitement as she bends over the cake. Big sister's eyes are very large, and very bright, and there is a tiny tremble in her voice . . .

"Ooh . . . Mommee! . . . What . . . a . . . beautiful cake!"

. . . . Happy Birthday, Happy Birthday, Happy Birthday to You!"

femme fare ...

BY CINDERELLA

HOW TO GET ALONG with any . . . how to attract the elusive male . . . we've all heard or read or seen it actually in practice. Don't deny it, now! Sure, we may not have been exactly bold or outright about it, but it was, together with your cute pointed chin, your half-smile, your big eyes, your frankness, your humor, your tiny-ness, your definite attempts to give . . . a little sympathy, a little flattery, a little bit of tenderness, which made the male look twice. Of course, we know the tricks.

But isn't it a strange fact that we forget to practice all the little things that attract and charm men for our own sex? There will tell you that when a couple of women get together they can only scratch and . . . how about showing them a thing or two.

Really, it wouldn't do us any harm to try a little harder to get along with each other for it seems that we'll be pretty dependent on each other for companionship and sympathy, with Hitler acting up as he is, and claiming all our men-folk. So let's . . . to join a "How to attract the eternally unpredictable female" club.

Let's get to know each other. Let's concentrate on a few women that we really like and enjoy talking to, instead of flitting to five different clubs or gatherings with a total membership of ninety people. It's only when one gets to know a person well that one can really appreciate them.

Let's use the same tactics we use on the elusive male. Let's not be so quick to use those claws . . . and what woman isn't guilty of this . . . or loosen our tongues when we come face to face with a fair beautiful woman. Let's give her a chance and ourselves a chance, too! She can't help being what she is, and ten to one, she may be as harmless as the homely woman.

Let's flatter each other. If we would only give another woman just half as much flattery as we automatically give a man, it would be enough. It isn't being insincere, for no flattery can be really called sheer flattery, if it can give some measure of pleasure to another.

Let's do things together, like sports or acquiring some cultural interests. Oh, sure we women do things, but mostly with men, to the exclusion of our own sex! Look at the women who enjoy, just simply adore hunting . . . it's when there is a man along. One rarely or never hears of two women going out hunting together, do you? So with walks. A woman may adore walking—but it is usually with a man. It never occurs to her that it might really be enjoyable to walk with another woman.

Let's speak more kindly of each other. Men are not completely blind, and what one woman has to say of another does carry some weight when he makes the great decision . . . whether it be a date for an evening or for a lifetime. Let's treat our women friends like we treat our men. After all, most of us aren't really dangerous rivals—we're all women, with a woman's capacity to feel.

Really, we're going to see a lot of each other, we women—let's begin now and be friends!

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Finally the examiner asked:

"You don't dissipate, do you? You know, no fast living, or doing anything in excess?"

Masao, who was a little bit on the apologetic side, hesitated at this juncture. He thought a moment, then reluctantly replied:

"Well—er—I sometimes chew a piece of gum."

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Hikawa Maru Expected To Dock Here Nov. 1---Maybe!!!

VANCOUVER. — The new storm brewing in the Pacific following the downfall of the Konoye Government and the turn for the worse in Tokyo may cause a change in plans for trans-Pacific ship sailings next week. On unconfirmed report this morning said that the Tatsuta Maru, en route to Honolulu had returned to Japan.

Officials of the Department of External Affairs in Ottawa said that the Hikawa Maru, scheduled to leave Yokohama next Monday, and arrive in Vancouver on the morning of Nov. 1, would be permitted to dock here if it actually sailed.

It is not known how many passengers she would carry, nor how many local Japanese wishing to return to Japan would be able to embark on the liner when she sails from Seattle, Nov. 4. Local Japanese, wishing to return to Japan, must secure necessary permits from the Foreign Exchange Control Board, and it is understood that if they sail at this time, they will not be re-admitted into Canada in the future. Any Nisei wishing to sail is expected to meet considerable difficulty in securing permission.

The Tatsuta Maru had left Yokohama Wednesday, carrying 300 American-born Japanese, most of whom were expected to disembark in Honolulu next Wednesday. The liner was scheduled to dock in San Francisco Oct. 30, to take on Japanese nationals returning to Japan. The Taiyo Maru was expected to sail from Yokohama on Oct. 28, en route to Honolulu only.

Some hope was expressed however that since the ministry in Japan is not expected to adopt a radical change in policy, the original ship sailings would be carried out.

...gh School Credits By Bible Study

...ss Organized Under New School Plan

...nization of a class in ... Study for high school ... will take place this Saturday, October 18, at 11 a.m., ...e Gymnasium Parlor at ...owell United Church.

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Courses are to be given by "accredited representatives of the church", and are to be taken by the students outside of the school proper. Students can take the Bible Study as an optional course, and take five credits in all. Students who take this course this year as an extra may have it credited for next year's course.

Churches in different parts of the City have already organized classes for Bible Class I, and in most cases these classes are conducted inter-denominationally.

Miss Gwen Suttie, B.A., and Mr. Takashi Komiyama, B.A., will be the teachers.

● **Kito Kato's Club**

An open invitation is extended to all Niseis who like dancing of every kind to attend the opening night of Kito Kato's social circle tonight at the New Pier Cafe from 8 p.m. Our ace hepcat wants it known that the program will include every kind of dancing, from the latest rugg-cuttin' to the dreamiest waltzing. Come on out and enjoy yourself!

"Festival"

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kumi" and later joined with Emiko Nakamoto and Miyoko Kariya in the classical "Nuno-sarashi."

Saturday evening two other Nisei girls will be seen in two Japanese "odoris." Little Ikumi Yamashita will present "Fuji-musume" and Lucy Takemoto "Tenaraiko." Highlights of the program will be dances by Lilavati and Princess Arfa.

The Festival was opened formally last Monday evening by Lieut. Gov. W. C. Woodward, when Lilavati, celebrated East Indian dancer, was presented in Recital. A presentation of a bouquet to Mrs. Woodward by Etsuko Nagatakiya on behalf of the Japanese Canadian 'Mum Society was a highlight of the opening.

Among the ladies taking part are Mrs. M. Tahara, Mrs. M. Jinnai and Mrs. K. Nishizawa. Dr. George Ishiwara and Tom Shoyama of the Vancouver J. C. C. L., are the general convenors.

"Blood Donor"

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The process of withdrawing the blood, the Red Cross clinic states, takes only about 15 minutes, but the donors will be urged to rest for an hour afterwards. Plans are being made to provide transportation.

The scheme was first made possible by a grant of $1500 by the National Research Council for the preliminary work. Then the Red Cross Society contributed $10,000, and finally the Dominion Government donated $140,000 for necessary equipment.

Clinic To Open

The actual clinic will not open until Nov. 1, but the Red Cross hopes to register the full quota of applicants before that date.

Mayors Attend Show

'Mum Society Plans Fairview Display

In view of the cancellation of this year's Grand Chrysanthemum Show at the Exhibition Gardens and the most encouraging public support accorded their three-day Eleventh Annual Mum Show at the Japanese Hall over Thanksgiving week-end, October 11-13, executive members of the Kokonoye Kai are hopeful of sponsoring another display of Chrysanthemums this year at Fairview some time early in November, it was learned today.

Formally opened Saturday evening by Alderman Charles Jones, the display at the Japanese Hall featured some 1500 blooms comprising over 350 entries, and attracted an estimated number of 5000 spectators from all parts of the city.

In a short address before an enthusiastic audience, Alderman Jones declared that he had never seen such lovely blooms on display before and applauded the Kokonoye Kai for its pioneer work in creating a sincere interest in Chrysanthemum culture, which has now grown to inter-city-wide proportions.

Another highlight was the presentation of a bouquet of mums to Mrs. Jones by May Oyagi, daughter of secretary Mr. C. Oyagi.

Mayors Attend

Surprise visitors to the mum show Monday evening when the cups and other prizes were distributed by Mr. E. Kagetsu, well-known business man, were Mayor J. W. Cornett and his wife, while Mayor Fred Hume of New Westminster dropped in for a few minutes in the morning.

Winners in the special bloom section of the display were: Mr. T. Omoto who took the Ko Ishii cup for the best Corporal Piper entry and Mr. K. Miyauchi the Kokonoye Kai Cup for the best Mrs. Snow bloom. The Kokonoye Kai cup for the best bloom in the entire show went to Mr. S. Y. Takahashi for his gorgeous Henry Truman.

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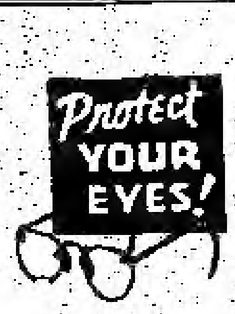

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Victoria Mayor Welcomes J.C.C.L. --- Discussions Prove Fruitful

VICTORIA.—Tribute to the way in which the Japanese community is contributing to the war effort was paid here last Sunday by Mayor Andrew McGavin, when on behalf of the City of Victoria he welcomed some 100 delegates to the sixth annual conference of the Japanese Canadian Citizens League.

The Mayor said that he had consented to give a welcome address on Sunday morning only once in the past three years. But in these times, when the name "Japanese" is greeted with antagonism by so many, he had felt it all the more necessary that he extend a welcome to the second generation.

Macer Okamoto, Victoria, president, presided over the opening session, which heard chapter reports, national council reports, and passed principal resolutions.

Another prominent Victoria citizen struck an inspiring note in a short address given at the farewell banquet Monday night at the Crystal Gardens, Prof. E. S. Farr of Victoria College, Liberal candidate for Oak Bay in the present election.

Introducing the speaker, chairman Kunio Shimizu said that he had perhaps exposed himself to political attack by consenting to address the Nisei gathering.

Prof. Farr, Speaker

Prof. Farr drew a parallel for the Nisei in these strained days, when he declared that the best fruit always grew in the most dangerous places. He said he had always been interested in the welfare of the second generation, and he hoped that delegates would go home prepared, resolved to carry on their work of laying the foundations for a better community and a better Canada.

Some 120 young people danced to the melodic strains of Bert Zala's orchestra, following the banquet, as delegates enjoyed the closing hours of the convention prior to returning to their homes.

Education Vital In Social and Public Health Problems

In the discussion group on social problems meeting under the co-chairmanship of Sam Okamoto and Hide Hyodo, it was pointed out that the Issei have exerted a strong and determining influence in the development or retarding of the Nisei's social life.

Issei-Nisei Relations

Delegates were of the opinion that conflict between the two groups was but a natural result of their radically different social, educational and cultural background. The more Canadian this background of the Nisei and the more Japanese of their parents, the greater the conflict would be.

Many a clash between the Issei and the Nisei on the specific subject of marriage was traced to the differences in their views on the role of the baishakunin, the problem of elaborate weddings, the giving of "yuino's", and the establishment of separate homes.

Adjustment Required

Compromise was suggested as the most obvious and logical method for the two groups in achieving satisfactory adjustment. But in cases where the Nisei were sure of their decisions, it was felt that they should carry these to their logical end, despite opposition from the older people.

Round table discussions and more active Nisei participation in Issei activities were recommended as means for bridging the gap between the two groups.

Public Health

As regards the question of public health — tuberculosis, venereal and other communicable diseases—the need for a sustained educational program was stressed. Speakers felt there were unlimited possibilities of the part the J.C.C.L. and its chapters could play in drawing up and carrying out in conjunction with the Japanese Clinic an intelligent and worthwhile program.

Juvenile Delinquency

A number of reasons were given for the fact that so far juvenile delinquency among the Nisei has been the lowest for racial groups in British Columbia; the existence of Japanese language schools, lack of contact with delinquent Canadian youths, strong family discipline, inherent Japanese regard for the law, and the hush-hush method used by the parents for dealing with some cases of delinquents.

For a desirable method of preventing an increase in the delinquency rate, the organization of interest groups was urged.

Study Of Nisei Working Conditions, Labor Unions Urged

Study of conditions under which the Nisei wage earner works both in the Japanese community and in the basic industries by a committee from the National J.C.C.L. executive was urged in a resolution drafted by hard-working delegates to the convention, who concentrated their discussions on the knotty problems facing the average Nisei in his attempt to secure "Three Squares a Day Plus."

The resolution further urged an educational program of familiarizing the Nisei wage earner with the advantages of organization.

Improved Employment

Tracing general conditions as at present, delegates agreed that the employment situation as a whole has shown improvement under the impact of the war. Basic industries, personal service occupations, and commercial activity have all reflected this situation.

On the opposite side of the ledger were marked losses in opportunity because of the breakdown of Pacific trade; a more acute anti-Japanese feeling, which however has not caused alarm; and a squeezing of the average Nisei between a rising cost of living and their failure to secure adequate increases in income.

Further analysis of the Nisei wage earner's situation indicated that basically he is not well-off, is not satisfied, and is capable of higher work. Nevertheless it was felt that his problem is fundamentally a question of the class struggle, greatly aggravated by the factor of racial discrimination.

Basic Solution

Hence delegates felt that a basic solution would be for the Nisei to work in close co-operation with labor groups, to maintain and raise their standard of living. Among obstacles that must be overcome was the "inferiority complex" of the Nisei, and the traditional feeling of "giri," which works to prevent the Japanese—wage-earner from exerting pressure upon his employer.

Educational research on the labor movement was held to be the immediate practical approach toward correcting specific injustices that were noted in discussions.

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'Reconciling Discordant Elements'

(Excerpts from the oration "Reconciling Discordant Elements" which brought to Miss Kay Kato of Vancouver the Nitobe Challenge Trophy in the fourth annual National Oratorical Contest sponsored by the J.C.C.L.)

This is the generalized picture of the Nisei as I see them. If you stop to analyze it you will see that there are two very acute problems which stand out: First, that of reconciling the opposing elements of our part-Japanese, part-Canadian heritage; secondly, that of reconciling our partly-resigned, partly-resentful attitude toward our economic lot in life.

From the time of our first entrance into the elementary school we Nisels have been sensitive about the fact that people regard us as a group set apart from Canadian society. Even you, as Niseis, cannot deny that we are different, that the majority of us though almost wholly Canadian in outlook, sometimes feel a little uncomfortable in the presence of those not of our own racial group. But the fact that we look and feel a little different should not make us feel inferior to others. At a recent meeting of the Vancouver Chapter of the J.C.C.L. Mr. Arnold Webster stressed the fact that harmony, not uniformity was the basis of democracy. If every Canadian was the exact copy of every other Canadian there would be no progress.

Adaptation, Not Imitation

As Canadians of Japanese descent, we must learn, not how to become an imitation of our Occidental neighbors, but how to adapt ourselves to Canadian ways so that we may work as a harmonious part of the whole structure of our country. As duplicates of other people we have no value, but as individuals co-operating with those about us we have a worth-while contribution to make. As a group, too, we have a great deal to offer, not so much in the realm of culture, though that is important as well, but in everyday life where our patience, thrift, industry, desire for education, and manual skill can be an example for other Canadians to follow.

Co-operate With Working People

The second problem of reconciling our partly-resigned, partly resentful attitude toward our lot in life is more difficult to resolve. In our disillusionment at not being able to get a decent job, we are too prone to blame it all on race. But the more I think of it, the more I believe that our problem is not primarily one of race but of economics. Our problem is basically a class problem made more difficult by the factor of race. We have a great deal in common with the working people of Canada because we are a part of them; and as we learn to co-operate with them in their struggle for better working and living conditions, we will find that many of our most pressing problems will be solved.

The most fundamental urge of every human being is self-preservation and when that appears to be threatened he rises in protest. Under the existing economic system the presence of Japanese men and women in industry has tended to depress wage standards for working people in general. A few individuals have seized upon this fact and have accused the Oriental of disrupting what would otherwise, they claim, be a perfectly smooth-running situation. But the trouble is more fundamental than that. It does not lie with the Japanese or the Chinese, but is basic in the type of economic set-up.

War Effort—Our First Duty

In time of peace, modern mechanization enables man to produce sufficient goods to feed, clothe, shelter and educate every man, woman and child on this earth adequately. I fully realize that today we are at war and this condition does not hold. Our first duty, today, is to aid the country of our birth in her gigantic war effort. Nevertheless, we must also think ahead to the peace which is to come, and before that eventful day arrives, we must be clear in our thinking. There is a place for us Canadians of Japanese descent to work for our share of the world's productive goods. We must realize that only with the extension of democracy into the economic as well as the political realm, will we Niseis ever find our rightful place in the work-a-day world.

After this war we Niseis must fight for this principle along with other Canadian groups because only with complete economic democracy will come a solution to our most pressing problems.

Dust as we are, the immortal spirit grows
Like harmony in music; there is a dark
Inscrutable workmanship that reconciles
Discordant elements, makes them cling together
In one society. How strange that all
The terrors, pains, and early miseries,
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Off to Work They Go

Four or five well known young fellows in this district are leaving their present work to try their hands at working in a mill. Their destination—Port Alberni, where they hope the isolation will do them some good. Ahem! Everybody gang-way, 'cause the boys are singing, "Port Alberni, here we come!"

Rev. McWilliam to Speak

Rev. McWilliam will be a guest speaker at the next meeting of the local J.C.C.L., Sunday, October 19, at 1 p.m., in the Nakanoshiku Hall. All members are urged to attend.

Regina Couple Are Very Proud Parents

REGINA—A blessed event occurred here at the Regina General Hospital on Saturday, October 4, when Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kato became the proud parents of a 6 lb. 13 oz. baby daughter. Both Mrs. Kato (nee Dorothy Hodgson) and the baby are doing well.

The Japanese community wishes to extend to the young couple their heartiest congratulations and best wishes to the newly-arrived baby girl.

Bloedel Banner

The Menzies Bay shore line resounded with the roar of a seaplane's motor during take-offs and landings October 8 to 10 when a timber cruising party from Franklin River stopped over.

The once abandoned camp atop C.R.T. beach, which formerly housed the road construction gang in 1939 is hiving with rehabilitation activities as work is being started on the construction of an Army Camp base.

Thanks a million for the special invitation to the Victoria convention, "Killer," but very sorry was unable to attend. Reason—girl interest? No, in connection with the unfortunate accident happening to the genial Mr. A. Johnson, your reporter rushed him to the Lourdes Hospital on the date of dates—October 11.

Ganges Gleanings

By GRACE K. NUMAJIRI

On Saturday evening the Ganges Y.P.S. held its regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Mikado. After the meeting was called to order and the treasury's "financial status" given, an interesting game of "treasure-trails" (an intellectual brainy game) was played. A "round-the-table" discussion and business session followed.

A motion to send our secretary, Mary Murakami, as a delegate to the J.C.C.L. convention was passed.

Plans for a whist drive to be sponsored on Hallowe'en night were made.

Miss Evelyn Inouye and Miss Setsu Iwasaki were welcomed into the club.

Owing to pressure of heavy studies, Paul Hirano sent in his resignation as corresponding secretary, the position being filled by Grace Numajiri.

The boys are getting used to helping with the dishes now—and come along without demuring the slightest.

Late Vacationists . . .

Rev. T. Tatsu made a sudden suprise visit to the Island last week, much to the delight of our Y.P.S., which had been bemoaning the scarcity of guest-speakers lately.

Ed. T. Ouchi is expected to arrive here shortly. A minor reason for coming must be to try his luck on the Island's spacious golf course.

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CUMBERLAND.—Guest for a few days of Miss Katie Yamamoto was Miss Vivian Sato of Surrey, who was the honoured guest at an acquaintance tea given by her hostess on Thanksgiving afternoon. The table was beautifully laid for fifteen young people, and an enjoyable afternoon was spent by all. The guest of honour paid a special compliment to the boys, describing their m a n n e r s as "simply charming!"

The same evening, to wish "Bon Voyage" to Messrs. Shinya Tateyama and Hiromu Matsubuchi, who left for Port Alice Tuesday morning, Misses Buddie Yaguchi and Irene Tateyama were joint hostesses at a farewell dance given at the former's home.

Special guest for the evening was Miss Vivian Sato.

Rug-cutting was enjoyed by all till the "wee sma' hours."

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Mr. Masato "Stoney" Sora, our best beloved "joke cracker", is now taking life easy owing to an injured knee. And we are glad to report that Mr. "Bowie" Harada is convalescing at home after a long time in the hospital following a serious mishap at work.

Hammond Farmers Reach Top At Last

An addition to the roster of Champions! Hammond Farmers, the 'wonder-team' of the Bussei Baseball League, is rejoicing. And well-deserved is their festive spirit for last Sunday they marked up the biggest upset in the Nisei sports world for the year 1941 by trouncing the powerful Hompa machine, 5 time winners of the Bussei title by a score of 11-2.

Hompa, already holders of Aoki Cup, needed only this year's victory to retire the Kagetsu Cup, for they already had two legs on it.

The Farmers were rightfully named the 'wonder-team'. Little was known of them, for this was their first year in the loop. They finished third in the final league standing and advanced to the finals by licking the season-leading Fairview Bluebirds, 10-2.

The dopesters picked Hompa two straight in the finals, but they were setback when the Farmers shut-out the perennial champs 1-0 in the opener. Hompa's turn came next blanking the Farmers 8-0 to tie up the series.

Bang Bussels Badly

The third and final game was Hammond's game on the run. The new champs plucked continuously at the choicest bits of Mas Toyota and Kiyoshi Misumi's offerings and aided by many Hompa errors, persistently pushed runs across the home plate.

Hammond's ace c h u c k e r, Frank Hoshizaki, chucked the route, twirling cool and effectively to pitch himself out of many difficulties. Kaz Hoshizaki contributed at the hickory with a circuit blow.

This final game spells finis to dramas.

"Athletic Union" Disturbs Seattle

(Tony Gomes, aggressive Kobe-born sports columnist for the Seattle Japanese-American Courier, pens his thoughts on that old topic, "Sports Union"—as it doesn't exist in Seattle's Nihon-machi.)

This Week's Thought . . . Is the lack of a central athletic organization for second generation sports in the Community. If memory serves right, the first sports event in which the second generation participated as a unit probably took place in this Northwest hamlet.

Yet, today, California second generation athletics are far in the fore in the matter of organization. Los Angeles, acting as the nerve centre for southern California, services an intricate network of athletic events in which clubs from outflung communities participate. As a result, co-operation is much easier to get in staging events.

Even staid old San Francisco, where the apartments in Nihonmachi have so much to tell the newcomers, has finally evolved an athletic union.

Thus, in these two areas, a regular annual sports program is followed. It is not beyond the boundaries of our imagination to picture such an organization here in this Community. Why not? It means a little self-sacrifice for some of the leaders in getting started but soon, it will run by itself.

Look at Los Angeles. Frank Sakamoto and Ken Matsumoto together with John "Tai" Saito first banded together. They were then the respective presidents of the football, baseball and basketball associations. It took a little self-sacrifice but soon the body could afford a part-time secretary and Masao Satow became executive secretary. But his "Y" work cramped him and now Bob Hirano, still a college youth unless he has quit recently, is secretary. None of the old veterans have a finger in the pie now. The younger element runs the whole show although Ken Matsumoto is still figuring in baseball as a coach-manager.

San Francisco's history is a bit different in that they tried to pattern their setup after the Los Angeles union. Also, their program is not as varied as the southern union's.

One of the main drawbacks existing today in the Community as regards such a body is the lack of permanence in the teams.

The cursory examination leads one to believe that this is a case of six or seven fellows getting together and deciding to have a team. Well and fine but how about the organization to which they belong, such as Baptists, Maryknoll, Buddhists and sports clubs, their teams are weakened by this sapping of their membership. If they belong to no organization, they should. If they don't like the existing ones and find enough other unattached males, they can organize a club to suit their policies.

As mentioned in personal talks before, this encourages cohesion which eventually leads to co-operation and the possibility of success for such a union to govern sports. Co-operation displayed in these fields makes it easier for co-operation in citizenship later on in life. We must learn how to work together.

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Intermediate Nippons To Tangle In Seven Team Community Loo

By S. O.

Senior, Junior Squads Prep For Big Table Tennis Opening Night

The centralization plan of the Vancouver Japanese Table Tennis League which was introduced this year, is rapidly going ahead to add another important step in the five-year progress of the Table Tennis league under the leadership of Bing Tanaka. The new headquarters at 577 East Pender Street, across from the Strathcona School, is a hive of activity. The league itself is slowly taking form and within two weeks will stage its season's opening night.

The league started off the new season's program with a bang last Monday at the highly successful skate-fest at Happyland. From now until the league starts, paddlers will concentrate on the improvement of their flicks, smashes, slices and other things that make the game what it is today.

This year, as in the past, the league will be divided into two divisions, seniors and juniors. Many entries have already reached director Tanaka, some definite and some tentative,—all indicating another fruitful season.

In the senior company these teams will be vieing for top positions—Mikado, Tairiku, Gakuyukai, Fairview, Union Fish and perhaps another team from Gakuyukai. The junior loop will be composed of Mikado, Tairiku, Union Fish, Maikawa, Kitsilano and tentatively Meiwa Gakuen and East Enders.

The publicized girls' league is still an unknown. Only two teams have stressed their desire to compete but that certainly is not enough to start a league.

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Cagette Loop Will Function After All

It finally looks as if the girls basketball loop is here to stay for another year. Wednesday's splendid turnout waived all further objections the officials had in mind.

An important meeting will be held in the gym parlor at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, October 21. All the girls are urged to attend.

Cagette League games are on schedule for Tuesdays, from 9 to 10.

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Kinzo Fujioka To Coach Our Boys

After a year's absence from any competition in city basketball loops, the Japanese League has decided to sponsor a team once again in the Intermediate B class of the Community Basketball League.

At the annual Community League meeting held last Tuesday at the Daily Province, it was decided that since there were only three teams, Angelus, Higbies and Nippons—in the Intermediate B's and four squads—Varsity, Y. M. C. A., West Vancouver and Dowlings—in the A Division, the best possible way of creating interest was to combine both divisions' league games during the season. Separate playoffs for the two divisions, however, will be held at the end of the season. That means of course, that our Nippons will have to stand a lot of tough competition against much taller and experienced players. It should also greatly improve the playing calibre of our reps.

President Mi Akiyama has placed Kinzo Fujioka at the head of the intermediates and has given for publication the names of players whom he would like to see turn out for practices every Tuesday from 7 to 8 p.m. They are Toru Tokawa, Sub Miike, Tosh Hashimoto, Sakai Tsukamoto, Kaoru Natsuhara, Kiyoshi Maikawa, Satoshi Yamabe, Ken Miyazaki, Chuck Uyeno and Shig Tabata.

The Community League games will be centralized at the King Edward High School gym every Tuesday and Thursday. By special request most of the Nippon games will be played on Thursdays. The season's curtain raiser will take place on Tuesday, October 21.

Oyama Finds Langara Turkey Shooting Fine

T. Oyama unlimbered his trusty clubs last Sunday on the plains of Langara to bang out a creditable 84, less 16, for a net 68, four under par, to bring down the prize turkey donated by Maikawa Fish. Sadao Maikawa turned in the same net score, but the bird went to Oyama as a matter of courtesy.

Yoshi Ono with 94 less 25, net 69, came through for a chicken, while Mickey Maikawa continued his recent string of money triumphs carding 80 for a net 69, to irk the other low handicappers. S. Sugiura also carded 69, but didn't prove quite so good matching coins.

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Victoria's golf course proved irresistible to a number of local delegates who journeyed to the capital city over the week-end . . . dubsters Ernie Arikado, Sam Yamada and Art Tateishi spent most of their time on the course at Gorge Vale . . . Big Gun Suzuki, Doc. Banno, Eddie Kitagawa and Ed Ouchi formed a foursome to tour the ritzy Oak Bay private links

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Sports Spotlight

Winter looming—without-a-doubt. Just at this period of season change, the sports world is well nigh at a standstill. But the different organizations are hard at work making preparations for the coming winter season.

Ball players have hung up their spikes and the more active among them have changed to runners and are busying themselves tossing the melon around. Tennis is finished too, although this writer never did find out what became of the B. C. Open Mixed Doubles championship. They're wielding lighter racquets now and concentrating on shuttle busting. Many have taken up table tennis too, and so it is everything is changing and preparing.

So we greet back all the winter pastimes—but when we find former sports missing, we're curious to know why and how best we can help to revive the defunct organizations.

Soccer, Soccer, Who's Got the League?

This year, the first thing which appears to be missing from the regular sports arena is the popular soccer league which functioned for the last two years. What's happened to the Japanese soccer league anyways? Surely there's enough players around to form at least 3 elevens. Soccer is being played extensively at both public schools and high schools so there should be no trouble at all in getting enough players.

It there is anybody at all who would like to see the league function again, he may count on this writer for every possible help and co-operation.

And No Ruggah Reps!

Another sport missing from our Nisei sports calendar for a long time is English Rugby. It's really a pitiful state of affairs when there is so much promising material playing high school rugby and we still can't form at least one team to enter one of the city divisions. At school, Nisei players are outstanding, they're fast, wonderful ball-handlers and oftentimes I've heard compliments coming from various high school coaches. Let's see the Nippons revive!

'Homicide' Hal Hoshino vs. Kenny Lindsay

Pendleton, Oregon, is 'Homicide' Hal's home town, but Seattle also lays claim to this dynamic two-fisted Nisei whirlwind, but their argument is the least of our worries. What we are interested in, however, is the impressive fistic prowess of this Nisei lad who has fought his way to the top in his division. Three weeks ago Hoshino won a stirring 10-round knockout over the featherweight champion of the Philippines, Joe Barja, known as Black Joe.

Both Hoshino and Black Joe have enviable records of having won consistently in their past fights. Hoshino came back from a tour of Hawaii crowned featherweight and lightweight champion of the Island. Black Joe since coming to the mainland from Manila nine months ago had become a great favorite down southland and fight fans are still buzzing about the way he pummeled NBA featherweight king Ritchie Lemos before dropping a close decision.

It was this same Black Joe that Kenny Lindsay, Vancouver's pugilistic gift to the featherweight ranks, fought to a 10 round draw in Seattle Wednesday night.

Here's our plug to the Fight Promoters—How about 'Homicide' Hal vs. Kenny Lindsay, right here in Vancouver? We're all for Hoshino vs. Lindsay!—Nihon-machi will jam the place.

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